Executive Proclamation

State of South Dakota

Office Of The Governor

WHEREAS, The first charter for a library in the Dakota Territory was granted to the Ladies Library Association of Howard on January 8, 1886; and,

WHEREAS, The Ladies Library Association, a private corporation of pioneer women, deemed cultural and learning pursuits of the highest priority and essential to the progress of their community; and,

WHEREAS, The library which H. W. McKee, C. L. Milham, E. M. Oleson, and Lizzie Roneson envisioned and brought to fruition was at first merely a bookcase in the general store filled with donated volumes; and,

WHEREAS, The library suffered a tragic loss in 1892 when all but eleven volumes were destroyed by fire, but those books proved to be the nucleus of a bigger and better library to come; and,

WHEREAS, The library shared a building with the city jail for 74 years, before moving to its current home in the municipal building; and,

WHEREAS, Two members of the library's Board of Trustees have been honored as Trustee of the Year by the South Dakota Library Association: Anna Mumford in 1965, and Phyllis Lauer in 1975; and,

WHEREAS, January 8, 1986, marks the Howard Public Library's first century of service to the community and the beginning of its next hundred years as an indispensable part of the Howard Community:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, WILLIAM J. JANKLOW, Governor of the State of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim January 8 through February 7, 1986, as

HOWARD PUBLIC LIBRARY CENTENNIAL MONTH

in South Dakota.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Eighth Day of January, in the Year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Eighty-Six

WILLIAM J. JANKLOW, GOVERNOR

ATTEST:

ALICE KUNDERT, SECRETARY OF STATE

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